Consideration and allowance of claims 39 and 58-94 are respectfully requested at the earliest possible time.

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## Marked-Up Copy of Claim Amended in the Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment

- 39. (Amended) A method of selecting a dose of an anti-oxidant composition for administration to a human, the method comprising assessing occurrence in the human's genome of disorder-associated polymorphisms in at least one gene two genes selected from the group consisting of
  - a) genes which encode an enzyme that catalyzes conversion of a toxic oxygen species to a less toxic oxygen species;
  - b) genes which encode a protein that provides protection against oxidative stress;
  - c) genes which encode a protein that induces production of a toxic oxygen species;
  - d) genes which encode a protein that indirectly affects oxidative stress; and
  - e) genes which encode a protein for which the level of expression of the protein is associated with oxidative stress,

whereby occurrence of any of the polymorphisms is an indication that a greater dose of the composition should be administered to the human; and

selecting a dose of the composition based on occurrence of the polymorphisms.